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SUBJECT: LIBERIAN YOUTH DELEGATION VISITS SOMALIA

SOMALI PRESIDENT SIYAD BARRE ADDRESSED A LIBERIAN YOUTH DELEGATION OF 13 MEMBERS WHO ARE CURRENTLY VISITING MOGADISCIO ON AUGUST 5, 1975.

EXCERPTS FROM SONNA, AUGUST 6 AS FOLLOWS: BEGIN EXCERPTS PRESIDENT SIAD, ADDRESSING A 13 MEMBER LIBYAN YOUTH DELEGATION PRESENTLY VISITING THE COUNTRY, SAID THE YOUNG GENERATION SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT AFRICA HAS ONLY RECENTLY WON POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE AND IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE TRUE ECONOMIC EMANCIPATION THE REVOLUTION SHOULD CONTINUE...

"THE AFRI-
KAN YOUTH HAVE A HISTORICAL RESPONSIBILITY THAT
THEY CANNOT ESCAPE. APART FROM WORKING FOR THE WELL BEING
OF THEIR INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO WORK
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VNTINENTAL UNITY", HE DECLARED...

HE REGRETTED THAT AFTER MORE THAN A DECADE OF POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE, INTER-AFRICAN COOPERATION HAD NOT YET
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MATERIALISED, DESPITE VOLUMES OF RESOLUTIONS AT SUMMIT AND

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MINISTERIAL CONFERENCES...

THE PRESEIDENT OF THE SRC, EXPLAINED TO THE LIBERIAN YOUTH DELEGATION THAT HE HAD INVITED THEM BECAUSE HE WANTS FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN SOMALIA AND LIBERIA TO GO BEYOND THE LEADERSHIP LEVEL AND REACH THE GRASS ROOTS LEVEL.

HE SAID THE EXCHANGE OF YOUTH DELEGATIONS WILL ENHANCE TRUE AFRICAN UNITY AND WILL ENABLE OUR YOUTH TO LEARN MORE ABOUT EACH OTHER.

PRESIDENT SIAD HOPES THAT A SOMALI YOUTH DELEGATION WILL PAY A RECIPROCAL VISIT TO LIBERIA IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

"THE SOMALI YOUTH HAVE VERY LITTLE TO GIVE YOU
/ BUT WE
BELIEVE THE MOST VALUABLE THING ONE CAN GIVE TO HIS FRIEND IS TO GIVE HIS HEART AND I HOPE THE SOMALISQUTH DID SO", THE PRESIDENT SAID.

ONE STUDENT READ A RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE LIBERIAN AND SOMALI UNIVERSITY STUDENTS, WHICH WAS WRITTEN AND ADOPTED AT THE KURTON WARI RESETTLEMENT CAMP ON THE 30TH OF JULY, 1975

THE RESOLUTION CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

1. THAT AFRICAN UNIVERSITIES EXCHANGE MORE VISITS SO THAT AFRICAN YOUTH MAY FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH THE EXISTING PROBLEMS AND COLLECTIVELY RESOLVE THEM.

2. THAT THE GOVERNMENTS OF SOMALIA AND LIBERIA ESTABLISH AN EXCHANGE PROGRAMME AMONG THE YOUTH, STUDENTS AND UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS.

3. THAT THE STUDENTS AND THE YOUTH OF THE TWO COUNTRIES COORDINATE EFFORTS THROUGH THEIR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS FOR THE TOTAL LIBERATION OF ALL AFRICAN TERRITORIES UNDER COLONIAL YOKE, PARTICULARLY THE LIBERATION OF FRENCH SOMALILAND AND SOUTHERN AFRICA.
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4. THAT THE STUDENTS OF SOMALIA AND LIBERIA JOINTLY EXTEND THEIR CONGRATULATIONS TO MOZAMBIQUE, SAO-TOME AND PRINCIPE AS WELL AS CAPE VERDE ISLANDS FOR THEIR NEWLY ACQUIRED INDEPENDENCE.

5. THAT AFRICAN COUNTRIES PROMOTE TRADE AMONG THEMSELVES AND ENCOURAGE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN "AFRICAN ECONOMIC

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COMMUNITY", WHICH WILL EVENTUALLY REMOVE ALL TRADE BARRIERS.

6. THAT WE THE STUDENTS ARE GRATEFUL AND CONGRATULATE OUR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS FOR HAVING AFFORDED US THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXCHANGE IDEAS WHICH HAVE BEEN MOST REWARDING...
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